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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

U.S. Patent Application Entitled: Pharmaceutical Carrier Device Suitable For

RE: Delivery of Pharmaceutical Compounds to Mucosal Surfaces- Gilles H. Tapolsky

and David W. Osborne (CIP of VIRO:017)

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a 46-page patent specification including 33-claims, 2 figures and an abstract. The aforementioned constitutes the application of Gilles H. Tapolsky and David W. Osborne for the captioned application.

Please note that this application is filed without an inventor Declaration and Assignment, and a Declaration Claiming Small Entity Status. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and (d), the Applicant requests the Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application and accord a serial number and filing date as of the date this application is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for Express Mail. Further, the Applicant requests that the NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS-FILING

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overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/VIRO:034/POR.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory L. Porter

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DATE GRANTED pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) be sent to the undersigned Applicant's representative.

Also enclosed are the following documents:

- 1. Request for Filing C-I-P Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) (duplicate);
- 2. Check in the amount of \$639.00;
- 3. Information Disclosure Statement;
- 4. PTO-1449 with copies of references;
- 5. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status *filed* in the prior application.
- 6. Recorded Assignment *filed* in the prior application;
- 7. Copy of the current Power of Attorney *filed* in the prior application;
- 8. Copy of current Associate Power of Attorney filed in the prior application; and
- 9. Postcard.

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Atty. Dkt. No.: VIRO:034/POR

Prior Application Examiner:

Edward J. Webman

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Prior Group Art Unit: 1615

REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a continuation-in-part application under Rule 53(b) (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)) of co-pending prior application Serial No. 08/734,519 filed **10-18-96**, entitled "PHARMACEUTICAL CARRIER DEVICE SUITABLE FOR DELIVERY OF PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOUNDS TO MUCOSAL SURFACES."

- Enclosed is a copy of the continuation-in-part application including a 46 page specification with 33 claims, 2 figures, and an abstract.
- ∑ 2. The inventorship is the same as prior Application Serial No. 08/734,519.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$639.00 to cover the filing fee as calculated below. The remaining \$22.00 of the filing fee as calculated below should be charged to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/VIRO:034/POR.

CLAIMS

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE
Basic Fee					\$395.00
Total Claims Independent Claims	33 - 20 = 6 - 3 =	13 3	X X	\$11.00 = \$41.00 =	\$143.00 \$123.00
Multiple Depende	ent Claim(s)				\$-000
TOTAL FILING FEES:					\$661.00

- (a) A small entity statement is enclosed.
- (b) A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- (c) Small entity status is no longer claimed.
- 5. If the check is missing or insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 which may be required for any reason relating to this document, or credit any overpayment to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/VIRO:034/POR.

Enclosed is a copy of the current Power of Attorney and Associate Power of Attorney in the prior application.
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- 8. The prior application is presently assigned to ViroTex Corp.
- 9. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.
- (a) PTO-1449.
- (b) Copies of IDS citations.

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